

## A TEXAS FRONTIER INCIDENT.

School House Attacked by Indians—Daring Bravery of Miss Amanda Howard.

In 1897 there stood on the south bank of the Leon river in Hamilton county a small log school house. A beautiful valley three-quarters of a mile wide and one and a half miles long spread out in front of it from every obstruction to the view. This was called "Wonder Valley." The Howard family lived half a mile west and John Baggett lived half a mile east of the school house. Ezekiel Manning and Alexander Powers lived one and a half miles south, but behind a high hill. The Massengills, Ganns, Strangelines, Cole Kuykendall and James Kuykendall, lived up the river within two miles. J. B. Hendricks and Mrs. Crockett and Abe lived two miles. Judge D. C. Snow and Nel Livingston lived three and four miles, and the Pearson ranch was six miles below. The town of Hamilton was six miles southwest of the school house.

At the time the incident took place of which we write Miss Ann Whitney was teaching the school. The time was Thursday, 2 p. m. July 11, 1897. The Howard family Indian Dependents, the Massengills, the Ganns, the Strangelines and the Cole Kuykendalls were left open so that it was an easy matter for any outside to see the school. The school was a small building, without a chimney, and without a door, and about as any one there if they wished to. There was a small window cut out of the short wall and without a shutter. Olivia Barbee, about twelve years old, daughter of John Barbee, was the only Indian dependent in the school, was boarding in the neighborhood. Her father was a stockman and was expected to come to school week to see her while out stock hunting.

On the day and about the hour mentioned a daughter of the Howard family was at the door which was on the south side of the house overlooking the valley. While she was looking out the window, a man came on horseback rapidly approaching, and was almost certain they were Indians. Miss Whitney, seeing her riding away, did not look to see anything about him. The horse was a dark bay and will unsay and soon went to the door again and took another look crying out as she did so, "There are Indians and they are back to the school house with the hand and getting out of the window with him run away. Miss Whitney then went to the door and after seeing the man told the children they were Indians and that they were taking Mary, the name of a fine saddle animal, the pet and property of Miss Whitney. She often made remarks of the Indians ever, take Mary I want them to take me, too.

When she became satisfied with the men were she shut the door and told the children to escape by the window, so the Indians could not see them. The door came up in front. All did this except Mary Jane, a daughter of Ezekiel Manning, who was a very large and sturdy, weighing about 150 pounds, and could neither get out of the window, nor hope to escape by running out at the door.

Many of the children, instead of fleeing away, crawled under the house, and there witnessed the Indian scene which was enacted in the building.

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Sarah Howard, the latter being the wife of Volney Howard, Miss Amanda's brother. Miss Howard was a fearless rider and was getting a young horse for her own use and her sister-in-law was only keeping her company.

They saw the Indians at the school house and at first took them to be cow hunters. They were discovered by the Indians before they had time to get away. The Indians were upon her. She was not badly hurt and, springing to the left, she escaped by the window.

While Miss Whitney was being killed at the school house and the other ladies being chased east of it, a man named Strangeline entered at the head of the valley at the Howard place and had proceeded about half way across the valley when he was attacked by the Indians who were leaving. Mr. Strangeline was moving and had his family with him. He was killed, but not before he had time to get away.

About this time Miss Amanda Howard, seeing what was going on, formed the bold design of escaping by the window and warning the settlers of the presence of the Indians. To do this she would have to ride alone, in the face of the Indians, and to do this she would have to ride alone, in the face of the Indians, and to do this she would have to ride alone, in the face of the Indians.

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# NEW GOODS

Have arrived in the last week—what we may term tersely as "Harbingers of Fall." And, in the meanwhile, all Summer Goods must go, no matter what they have cost us. A price has been put on them which will surely cause a prompt exodus.

## Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Department

Just received, a new shipment of Ladies' Walking Skirts, of kersey cloth, fancy stitched flare bottom and tucked seams, in tans, Oxford, grays, light grays and blues, regular 6.50 value; special 4.98

Ladies' Walking Skirts, of meltons and chevrons, made with the new slat seams and box pleats, fancy stitched flounce, in tans, browns, Oxford grays, light grays and blues, regular 9.50 value; price 5.98

New Dress Skirts of serge, broadcloth and etamine, made with tucked seams and bands and stitched folds of silk, others with the new box pleats and flare bottom, some unlined, others percale lined; prices are 17.98, 14.98, 12.50, 13.98, 10.00 8.98

A nice line of new Etamine Skirts, made in the new serpentine effect, trimmed in bands of silk, others with circular flounce, trimmed with tucks and medallions, of moire, made with fancy drop skirt of taffeta 20.00 silk; prices are 15.00 and 10.00

Ladies' White Skirts, made of good quality duck and pique, extra width; price 25c

Ladies' White Skirts, made of extra quality pique, deep hem, extra width; price 48c

Ladies' White Skirts, made of pique, in the new effects, flare bottom; price 98c

Ladies' White Skirts of pique, trimmed with tucks and embroidery, latest styles; price 1.98

Ladies' Wrappers, made of figured lawns and percales, neatly trimmed with braid and ruffles, slightly soiled, regular 1.50, 1.25 and 1.00 seller; Monday, your choice 25c

Ladies' Waists, of madras and percale, in light and dark colors, odds and ends, worth 1.00 and 1.50; Monday, choice 25c

1.50 Ladies' White Lawn Waists, elaborately trimmed in dainty hemstitched tucks, laces and embroidery, open front and back, latest styles; price 98c

Ladies' Waists, of dainty lawns and madras, in all colors, made in the latest styles, 1.50 value; price 98c

Also a nice line of Ladies' Wrappers of dainty lawns, batistes, dimities and percales, made with fancy yokes, and trimmed with tucks, laces and embroideries, deep flounce on skirt; the prices are 98c, 75c, 65c, 50c and 35c

Ladies' Waists, of lawns, dimities, dotted swisses and lins, light and dark colors, 2.00 value; price 1.48

75c Ladies' White Lawn Waists, trimmed with tucks, front and back, new collar and cuffs; price 39c

1.25 Ladies' White Lawn Waists, trimmed with two rows of embroidery and sixteen tucks in front, tucked back; price 75c

More elaborately trimmed White Waists, of dainty, sheer lawns, at 5.98, 4.50, 3.50, 2.50, 1.98, 1.50 and 1.25

79c Gowns, Drawers, Corset Covers, Chemise and Underskirts, trimmed with laces, tucks and embroideries; price 48c

1.50 Gowns, Drawers, Corset Covers, Chemise and Skirts, handsomely trimmed, made of nainsook and cambric; price 98c

Odds and ends of Gowns, Corset Covers, Chemise, Drawers and Skirts, elaborately trimmed in dainty laces, embroideries and tucks, slightly soiled; choice 1.19

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Ladies' Waists, of dainty lawns and madras, in all colors, made in the latest styles, 1.50 value; price 98c

Also a nice line of Ladies' Wrappers of dainty lawns, batistes, dimities and percales, made with fancy yokes, and trimmed with tucks, laces and embroideries, deep flounce on skirt; the prices are 98c, 75c, 65c, 50c and 35c

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39c Ladies' Cambric Drawers and Chemise, neatly trimmed; price 25c

59c Ladies' Gowns, surplice neck, six tucks in yoke, neck and sleeves 35c

Ladies' White Underskirts, extra full umbrellas flounce, elaborately trimmed with rows of lace, tucks, embroideries and medallions of lace, reduced to 10.00, 7.50, 5.98, 4.50 and 3.50

Colored Skirting

Castor and Gray All Wool Suiting for skirts or traveling suits, 60c

Gray and Brown Mixtures, pure mohair, 46 inches wide, for unlined skirts; yard 98c

Heavy Gray Hopsacking; also Gray and Castor Melton Cloth, all 54 inches wide, sponged and shrunk; yard 1.50

Black, Navy and Brown Small Wool Checks, for waists, 38 inches wide; yard 50c

White Goods

See our Linen Thread Cambric, value, per yard, 1.50; Monday special, 75c

See our 90-inch wide Barnsley Table Damask, value, per yard, 2.50; Monday special, per yard, 1.75

See our Fine White Persian Lawn; Monday special, per yard, 15c

See our Batiste Mull, value, per yard, 30c; Monday special, per yard, 20c

See our White French Organdy, value, per yard, 20c; Monday special, per yard, 12 1/2c

See our White Organdy, width 72 inches, value, per yard, 35c and 45c; Monday special, per yard, 25c

See our 60-inch Cream and White Damask, value, per yard, 40c; Monday special, per yard, 25c

See our 72-inch Table Damask, value, per yard, 75c; Monday special, per yard, 49c

See our All Linen Towels, value, per dozen, 1.50; Monday special, per dozen, 1.00

See our Fringed Doilies, value, per dozen, 60c; Monday special, per dozen, 45c

See our Curtain Swiss; Monday special, per yard, 5c

See our Ready-made Bars for double bed; Monday special, per bar, 60c

Swiss Curtains

A good Swiss Curtain, ruffled, three yards long, several patterns to select from; a pair 95c

Plain and Figured Swiss Curtains, 3 1/2 yards long, with tucked ruffle; a pair 1.15

Fancy Border Swiss Curtains, with plain hemstitched ruffle; a pair 1.45

Plain Swiss Curtains, trimmed with lace inserting and lace-trimmed ruffle; a pair 1.65

Nottingham Curtains, 3 1/2 yards long; a pair 75c

Window Shades

A great variety of Window Shades, all colors and all sizes, both fringed and plain.

Linen Holland Shades, 7 feet long, heavy fringed; each 75c

Oil Opaque Shades, 7 feet long, heavy fringed; each 65c

Opaque Cloth Shades, 7 feet long, heavy fringed; each 45c

Opaque Cloth Shades, 6 feet long, plain; each 25c

Mitts

Ladies' Black and White Silk Lace Mitts, the newest and latest designs, different patterns to select from, pair, 1.25, 1.00, 75c and 50c

Veiling

Sewing Silk Veiling, changeable Yale blue and green; also green and blue, 50c quality, yard 25c

Chiffon Veiling, in the newest shade of green, 50c quality, for, per yard 25c

Matings

We have a complete line of Chinese and Japanese Matings in all the different grades and in a variety of colors and designs.

Extra Heavy China Matting, white or colored, a roll 12.00

Heavy China Matting, white or colored, a roll 9.00

Good quality China Matting, fancy striped, a roll 7.00

Good quality China Matting, white, a roll 6.50

A fancy China Matting, blue and white and red and white, a roll 5.00

Japanese Matings in fancy stripes, checks and carpet patterns; a roll, 12.00, 11.00 and 10.00

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SANTOS-DUMONT WRITING BOOK.

It Deals With Aeronautics and Will Shortly Be Out.

New York Herald.

Mr. Santos Dumont arrived here yesterday morning on the North German Lloyd line steamer Kronprinz Wilhelm ready for an aerial flight if the necessary arrangements for a cash prize are made. The Aero Club of America sent a representative to him upon his arrival with an offer of \$25,000, and the visitor asserted that he had several offers under consideration, but at the present time he had no definite plans to announce.

Mr. Santos pleaded guilty to writing a book. The subject is dirigible balloons and the volume represents years of study and research. The book is now in the hands of French publishers and will shortly be on the press. In reply to a personal inquiry the aeronaut replied that there was so truth in the report of his engagement to marry a woman of wealth and position in Paris. He said that he was a bachelor in reality and in intention.

She Wanted to Be Sure.

Philadelphia Times.

Congressman Bingham is telling in Philadelphia about the handsome and popular wife of a senator who has been well to the fore in Washington affairs since last December. Mrs. Senator was recently accosted at a very fashionable reception by an over-dressed, affected woman, the wife of a Western lobbyist, and asked:

"Have we met before? Your face seems very familiar to me."

"I don't think we've met," replied Mrs. Senator, graciously. "Perhaps you've seen my pictures. There have been many of them in the magazines recently."

"That's it!" exclaimed the stranger.

In Politics.

This "harmony" is a curious one. Its purpose is to tell you that you are not as good as you think you are. You start another fight.

Washington.

## New Black Dress Goods

The First Shipment of Our Import Order.

45-inch wide Black Natti Cloth, canvas effect, rich silk luster, 89c

45-inch wide Black Heavy Melrose, richly finished, 98c

46-inch wide Black Zrooma, granite effect, double-faced, 1.25

46-inch wide Black Crepe Roye, striped effect, 1.25

45-inch wide Black Sangle, Etamine effect, yard, 1.25

46-inch wide Black Sangle Roye, rough surface, yard, 1.50

46-inch wide Bedford Heavy Cord, elegant finish, yard, 1.25

Carpets

Some Special Prices in Axminster and Brussels Carpets for This Week.

A good assortment of patterns; 133 Axminster Carpets, made, lined and laid, at a yard, 1.15

Good quality Brussels Carpets, some with borders to match, a good line of patterns to select from, for this week, made, lined and laid, at a yard, 65c

Rugs

Single door Wool Smyrna Rugs, fringed; each 75c

26-inch Wool Smyrna Rugs, fringed; each 1.49

30-inch Wool Smyrna Rugs, fringed; each 2.25

27-inch Moquette Rugs; each 2.50

36-inch Moquette Rugs; each 4.00

New arrivals in Ladies' Tailor Made Walking Suits, made with tight fitting silk lined jacket, and new flare bottom skirt jacket and skirt trimmed with fancy stitched bands of same, skirt trimmed with twelve rows stitching, in black and navy blue these suits were bought at just half their regular value, price, a suit, 18.00

Also a nice line of Ladies' New Tailor Made Walking Suits, jacket and skirt made with the new fancy stitched slat seams, skirt made with circular flounce, trimmed with stitched bands, silk lined jacket, in tans, blues and black, we offer them at a great bargain, 22.50

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I am using G. F. P. and it is truly grand. I have used only two bottles and am stronger than I have been for years. I was unable to do any work, and can now work all day without breaking down or becoming over-tired. I can not praise this medicine too highly, for it is a grand tonic. Miss A. COOPER, Belmont, Tex.